

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An improved zeolite having a high number of strong acid sites wherein said zeolite has an AAI of at least 1.0. In a preferred embodiment, such zeolite is produced by controlling conditions after production of the crystalline structure such that loss of tetrahedral aluminum is minimized to thereby provide a zeolite with the above defined AAI.

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